REMARKS

Claims 1-37 are now pending in the application including new Claims 35-37 added herein. The Examiner is respectfully requested to reconsider the restriction requirement in view of the remarks contained herein.

ELECTIONS/RESTRICTIONS

The Examiner noted Applicant is required under 35 U.S.C. §121 to elect a single disclosed species for prosecution on the merits to which the claims shall be restricted if no generic claim is finally held to be allowable. Per the Examiner there are no currently generic claims.

Applicant provisionally elects Species D, drawn to Figure 21 with traverse. Claims 23-34 and new Claims 35-37 read on Elected Species D.

The Examiner is respectfully requested to reconsider his restriction requirement because it is believed that examining claims of groups A through D would not produce a serious burden upon the Examiner. (See MPEP §803.)

CLAIM AMENDMENTS

Claim 23 has been amended herein to specify a flexible conductive sheath and to replace the step of removing the element of a vibrating body with a step of inducing a vibration of the masses. The Examiner is respectfully requested to enter amended Claim 23 prior to examination of the present application.

Claims 24-26 have been amended to place these Claims in better condition for allowance. The Examiner is respectfully requested to enter amended Claims 24-26 prior to examination of the present application.

CONCLUSION

It is believed that a full and complete response has been made to the outstanding Office Action, and as such, the present application is in condition for allowance. Thus, prompt and favorable consideration of this amendment is respectfully requested. If the Examiner believes that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at (248) 641-1600.

Respectfully submitted,

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